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## Cooper setting priorities after election win

BY PATRICIA RILEY  
MVP Staff

Education, property rights and recruiting doctors are the top priorities on Nathan Cooper's mind as he takes on his new role as Wildrose MLA for the Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills riding.

"And certainly working towards ensuring that the Carstairs Elementary School is a priority for this government as it is for our community," said Cooper.

He is looking forward to representing constituents in the riding and plans to keep the newly elected NDP government accountable.

"Prior to becoming the



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Nathan Cooper gets a hug from Ila Hartmann at Cooper's campaign office in Olds on May 5.

government they were in opposition and they talked a lot about an open and transparent govern-

ment. I hope that they will deliver on that," he said.

"Obviously the Wild-

rose and the NDP see many issues quite differently. But when they do good things we will commend them for that, and when they do things that Wildrose feel could be improved we will be working to encourage them to improve those things."

Cooper won the race for MLA in the Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills riding May 5.

Unofficial results showed Cooper with 10,687 votes, PC candidate Wade Bearchell with 5,290 votes, NDP candidate Glenn Norman with 3,373 votes and Alberta Party candidate Jim Adamchick with 685 votes.

Official results will be released on May 15.

Cooper said it was an exciting win and he is thankful that people in the riding put their trust in him by electing him.

"I will work every day to continue to earn that trust," he said, adding he wouldn't be where he is now without his campaign team.

"I think elections aren't won and lost by one person. We had a really great team of folks who rallied around the Wildrose plan and provided a truly conservative alternative. It was great just to see everyone's effort rewarded."

Meanwhile, Carstairs council was expected to

set a date for a byelection during yesterday evening's council meeting following Cooper's resignation.

"I had a really great time on council. It's with a bit of sadness and a bit of excitement that I resign," he said, noting it was his second term on council.

"I look forward to the new challenges but I'm still thankful to the people of Carstairs for having me represent them. I learned an incredible amount about our community and how great the people are and I learned a lot from my council colleagues as well as from the people of Carstairs."



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**CEMETERY CLEANING** – Anna Wassmer was one of several Didsbury High School students on hand on May 6 to help the Didsbury Cemetery Committee clean gravestones. The group was in the cemetery as part of May Monarch activities during the month.

PAUL FREY/MVP Staff

## Enforcement out this May long weekend

BY PAUL FREY  
MVP Staff

The Didsbury RCMP will be partnering with several other agencies during the upcoming long weekend in enforcement activities.

The RCMP, the Didsbury Fire Department, Didsbury peace officers, emergency medical services personnel, search and rescue personnel and Environment and Sustainable Resource Development personnel, among others will be on heightened alert during the weekend.

The agencies will also be working with Centrica Energy and Shell personnel in the

Burnt Timber area, said Sgt. Kimberley Pasloske, commander of the Didsbury RCMP.

"The Burnt Timber area usually gets quite a significant number of people heading out there to celebrate the long weekend, so together we came up with an increased presence plan ... so that campers are safe and that the environment is also protected out there," she said.

Pasloske said the focus will be on monitoring high-risk behaviour. The agencies will be enforcing a ban on fireworks, making sure people use alcohol responsibly and generally monitoring the area so that altercations between users are kept to a minimum.

"Fireworks are not allowed out in that area," she said.

Pasloske wouldn't say what specific plans any of the agencies have in

the area, other than to say that there will be an increased presence.

Activity in the Burnt Timber area on the May long weekend has slowed in recent years, Pasloske said, but enforcement remains a top priority to ensure everyone's safety.

"Search and Rescue identified that last year they had 18 injuries from the May long weekend festivities. There is a significant amount of people going out there, drinking and not making appropriate decisions," she said.

Increased enforcement is important because typically the May long weekend is the busiest time of the year for people to go out into wilderness areas, Pasloske said.

"Throughout the rest of the summer, people still camp, but there's not the amount of people (as on the May long weekend)," she said.



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Mandy Hawkins casts her vote at the Didsbury Memorial Complex on May 5.

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# More young voters this election

BY PATRICIA RILEY  
MVP Staff

An increase in young voters headed to the polls May 5 to cast their ballots in the Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills riding for the 2015 provincial election.

"Everybody we talked to couldn't believe the numbers. A lot of younger voters came out," said returning officer Laura Ewert.

There were 20,035 people who voted in the Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills riding out of 30,175 eligible voters, and there were 2,923 people who voted at the advance polls.

She said there is usually a high voter turnout in the riding.

In the 2012 election, 18,009 people voted out of 29,643 eligible voters.

There was also an increase in young voters applying for special ballots, which are mailed to people who are unable to be in their riding at the time of the

election, she said.

Several first-time voters headed to the polls this time around and many people were filling out declaration of elector forms.

"I was pretty impressed with the turnout and how many

new electors came in and came through," she said.

"It was the young people that really hit everybody, the young people and their willingness to get out and vote."

One teacher at a high school in Three Hills

told his Grade 12 students if they voted they could skip his class that day, she added.

"It's just neat that way – people are encouraging the younger ones to get out and vote and they're standing up and doing that."

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# Opinion

## Commentary

### Canada's tax system needs simplification

BY CHARLES LAMMAM AND  
HUGH MACINTYRE

Over the years, the federal government has shown a penchant for muddling the tax system with a myriad of tax credits, deductions, exemptions and exclusions. But tax expenditures – as they are collectively known – recently drew fire from Canada's auditor general.

Specifically, the auditor general criticized the lack of regular review on the relevance and effectiveness of tax expenditures, and identified a dearth of available information for assessing their long-term costs.

But there are broader problems with tax expenditures that fall outside the scope of the audit. Before we offer any solutions, let's better understand the scope of the problem.

The most pressing issue, perhaps, is the ever-growing list of tax expenditures, which add complexity to the tax system. From 1991 to 2011, the number of personal income tax expenditures increased from 105 to 123.

And virtually every federal budget since 2006 has contained new or expanded tax credits related to a specific activity or group of individuals. The credits cover everything from enrolling your child in a violin class or soccer to taking public transit.

At first glance, an abundance of tax credits may seem like a good thing. Everyone likes to save money. But each new tax credit can add to the complexity of Canada's tax system and consequently increase the cost of compliance.

Every year taxpayers spend a significant amount of time (collecting and organizing receipts, understanding the rules) and money (paying accountants, buying software) to file their tax returns. The cost of complying with the personal income tax system alone is estimated at around \$6 billion – or roughly \$501 per household per year.

According to a recent study, taxpayers who claimed at least one tax expenditure (out of a list of 10) spent an average 20.3 per cent more in compliance costs (after controlling for factors such as age and income). Tax expenditures add to the cost of filing an income tax return since claiming a tax credit requires keeping records, ensuring eligibility, and perhaps hiring an accountant to check that you're not missing out on any tax benefits.

And compliance costs fall disproportionately on lower-income Canadians who spend a greater share of their income complying. In fact, higher compliance costs might explain why lower-income Canadians are less likely to claim some tax expenditures or be aware of them in the first place. A more complicated tax system is also more costly for government to manage. Both the compliance and administrative costs equal money that doesn't go to investing in productive things that helps grow our economy or incomes.

Also troubling, tax expenditures tend not to change behaviour. Instead, they subsidize things people are already doing.

So what's the solution? A simpler tax system.

Tax expenditures currently cost the federal government approximately the same amount collected annually from personal income taxes (\$130 billion). Indeed, with more tax expenditures, the government has to keep other tax rates higher to raise the same amount of revenue.

Charles Lammam is director of fiscal studies and Hugh MacIntyre is policy analyst at the Fraser Institute.



## Commentary

### Don't define compassion by government spending

BY MARK MILKE

In a recent column in the *Edmonton Journal*, a local historian mused that modern governments have become too enamoured with "the unfettered market of purely economic conservatism." He then equated higher taxes and more government spending with compassion.

As the Hoover Institution's Thomas Sowell has written, it's easy to talk about how "society" or government should do this or that, while ignoring the useful analysis of whom or what is best placed to "do" the "doing."

For example, one can say that society should ensure children are well fed. But that's too general. The first people who should safeguard that desirable end are parents. In circumstances where children are neglected, someone indeed should intervene – other family, or if that doesn't work, government child services.

So if one sees a problem, it matters to be crystal clear about who is best placed to remedy it, and in what order.

To measure compassion primarily through what governments do ignores how, after a certain point, more tax dollars spent won't necessarily produce better social outcomes.

Economist and professor Livio Di Matteo recently reviewed the best work on the subject; studies that measured the effect of the size of government in 34 OECD countries on social outcomes such as life expectancy, infant mortality, homicide rates, educational attainment, and student reading proficiency.

The best results took place when total government spending hovered around 30 per cent of a country's economy.

Where is Canada at here? Total government spending is now at 41 per cent of the economy, down from about 53 per cent in 1992 but still higher than what is optimal.

Why are governments often inefficient with the money we give them? Consider Alberta. On average, government and public-sector employees are paid 6.9 per cent higher than their private-sector counterparts (after age, length of time in the workforce and other relevant factors are accounted for).

There is no secret as to why: private-sector wages are ultimately linked to competitive pressures. A business can't pay salaries without regard to profits, otherwise it won't stay in business. (On the flipside, it also

can't pay below-market wages because then no one will work for that company.)

Of course, no such natural pressure on wages (down or up) exists in the government sector. Governments – see Alberta – pay above market wages and then raise taxes to pay for such political generosity.

That matters, both because the inertia that plagues government diverts cash from the priorities a family might have for their own money. It also matters because higher-than-market government wages also divert from other possible uses—the building of new schools or hospitals, for example.

That's evidence of how governments misspend the taxes all of us pay. It's why the notion that ever-higher government spending somehow equals compassion misses some hard empirical realities.

Most people already care about people beyond their immediate circle. They express that care through kindness, volunteering, support for charities and in a thousand other ways. That's a more accurate and holistic understanding of compassion.

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# Historical society fundraises for museum operations

BY PAUL FREY  
MVP Staff

The Didsbury Historical Society (DHS) hosted a fundraising barbecue on May 9 in the parking lot at AG Foods to benefit the museum's operations.

The society will also be hosting a second barbecue fundraiser on May 23.

Frankie Kelly, president of the DHS, said through the generosity of AG Foods, DHS is the charity of choice the store has decided to support this month. AG Foods supports many different non-profit groups throughout Didsbury, and during the month of May, whenever AG Foods customers purchase certain products at the store, a portion of those purchases will be added together and a donation made to the DHS from AG Foods.

Kelly said she estimates that between the two barbecues and customers purchasing selected products, the DHS will net between \$1,000 and \$1,200 to go toward museum operations.

"We're very grateful to AG," she said.

Kelly said the store looks to the community for which non-profit group the store should support.

"What (manager Greg Poirier) does is

he rotates. Some years, it could be the library, it could be Mountain View Arts Festival, it could be the cemetery committee. He tries to give everybody a turn. And so this year it was our turn," she said.

Kelly said she is pleased that the museum is reaching more in the community and getting younger people and families through the doors with different activities and exhibits.

"We're really pleased that we're getting more volunteers," she said.

Kelly said with recent priority shifts with the provincial government budget, the Didsbury Museum – along with all museums across the province – is having to find innovative ways to fund its operations. A meeting of museum representatives from across the province is due to take place in Rocky Mountain House near the end of June. At that meeting, representatives of all the museums will find out how the recent budget will change the way they are funded.

"At this time, the whole (museum funding) program has been reshuffled, so we'll know more by the end of June. Everything's on hold right now," she said.



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The Didsbury Historical Society hosted a barbecue fundraiser in conjunction with the show and shine on May 9. The society will host another one on May 23 at the AG Foods parking lot.

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# National Police Week

May 11 - 15, 2015

## The RCMP – Much more than policing!

Canada's national police force is the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and what better time to learn more about who they are and what they do than during National Police Week, May 11 to 15. While today's "Mounties" still work to "always get their man", to do so requires so much more than when the RCMP was created back in 1873.

Originally, the RCMP provided general law enforcement for early settlers in Canada, with a role that varied from establishing peaceful relationships between settlers and the First Nations, to fighting fires if the need arose. These officers also established their presence internationally during numerous rebellions and wars. The first women police members were signed on about 100 years after the organization was formed, but are now a vital part of RCMP operations.

In fact, the RCMP continues to grow as its role becomes even more challenging with today's technological advances. The use of technology has generated a new wave of criminal activity, and one branch of the RCMP's National Police Services deals specifically with crimes such as identity theft or sex offences, and provides services related

to security, audio and video analysis, and co-ordination of investigations between all police services in Canada.

Other branches deal with firearms, education, information, intelligence, forensic laboratories, identification networks and child exploitation. The RCMP's major areas of focus include organized crime, terrorism, youth, aboriginal communities and economic integrity.

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Community Briefs

Country Critters 4-H has good year

This year, the Country Critters 4-H Club has been very active within the community. The club consists of 19 members who participate in projects such as: cooking, sewing, beekeeping, outdoor adventures, radio flyers and canine training. Executive positions within the club this year include: Sage Hughes serving the role as club president, Trinity Cenaiko the vice-president, Amber Hornbrook the secretary and Kalysa Hickok as this year's treasurer.

The club excelled at public speaking competitions this year as many members advanced to higher levels with their speeches and presentations. In the area competitions, all went forward with their speeches. Kalysa Hickok, 16, advanced to the regional level for her presentation "Desensitization." Additionally, Sage Hughes, 15, placed first at the provincial communications competition with her presentation "Body Image."

Within the club's projects, all members report they are active with their projects and learning a lot.

Currently, the Country Critters Club is fundraising through flower sales and were to be selling goods at the Calgary Kennel and Obedience Club's dog show in Cochrane from May 9 to 11. The members would like to thank the community, volunteers and parents for their continuous support.

- Submitted by Sage Hughes

Correction

Incorrect information appeared in a photo recently detailing money given out by a service organization. In fact, the Masonic Star Association, composed of members of the King Hiram Lodge 21 and the St. Hilda Chapter 27, donated the funds to local organizations. The Review apologizes for the error.

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# Girl Guides build library boxes

BY PAUL FREY  
MVP Staff

Girl Guides from around Mountain View County descended on the Didsbury Municipal Library on May 2 for a day of activities celebrating words in action.

Words in action is this year's focus for Canadian girl guides and girl scouts.

"By working on literacy-related activities here at the library, it really helps the girls to understand that not everybody is as fortunate as certainly the girls here to really have opportunities, not only to read and write, but to have other activities as well. It's a way of having a lot of fun, to learn new skills using hammers and saws," said Mary Hatcher, a guide leader in Carstairs.

By building the book houses, which will remain in each community, the guides are helping to share the enjoyment of reading throughout the community, Hatcher said.

There were 21 girls from both the Carstairs and Olds guiding groups that participated in the activities at the library. Although there are Didsbury girls that participate in guiding, they are attached to either the Olds or Carstairs groups because there are currently no leaders in Didsbury, Hatcher said. The ages of the girls who participated in the book house building ranged from seven to 12.

Hatcher said the idea for the guides to build the book houses came from talking to library manager Inez Kosinski, who in turn was in conversation with Kevin Bentley. Bentley had built several similar houses while living in Calgary. He now lives in Didsbury and is hoping to place book houses throughout Central Alberta.

"He was willing to



Paul Frey/MVP Staff

Grace Wright of the Carstairs Girl Guides uses a Japanese saw during a book house building exercise at the Didsbury Municipal Library on May 2.

pre-cut all this stuff and come with the kits basically done to the point where the girls with their little hands could be successful at putting them together. It's been an absolutely fabulous afternoon," Hatcher said.

Bentley said while he was president of a community association in Calgary, he was searching for a way to increase community engagement. Because the community was separated by Centre Street and people were not travelling elsewhere within the community, he decided to use his passion for books to bring community members together.

"I started off building five. Then there was 15 and then it just kind of blossomed from there. I moved to Didsbury last fall and my hope is to have one little book house in every small community in Central Alberta," he said.

Bentley said since the guides are focused on literacy-related activities this year, he thought it made sense to partner with the groups.

Bentley said one of the boxes he built in Calgary had an impact far beyond

what he could have imagined. When the man who agreed to have the box placed in his yard was placing the box, his neighbour, whom he hadn't spoken to in the year-and-a-half they had lived next to one another, told his neighbour he'd never learned to read.

Being a social worker, the man who hosted the box was familiar with resources the other man might need, and as it turned out, had a daughter who was willing to tutor the man. As word got out about the other man's situation, several books that subsequently showed up in the box were easy-to-read classics such as Robin Hood and Treasure Island.

"This was a year-and-a-half ago and now he's a very happy middle-aged man who now is literate, doing what we all take for granted. That's what drives me. And the fact that the guides here are keen about literacy and books, that's another story that I think needs to be told," Bentley said.

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# Colts looking forward to another good season

BY PAUL FREY  
MVP Staff

The Mountainview Colts are looking forward to following up a good 2014-15 season with another one in 2015-16.

During the organization's annual general meeting on April 29, David Boyle was welcomed as the new trea-

surer, while Mark Fisher was installed as the new vice-president and Russell Jemieff as the new general manager. Mike Galye will join the coaching staff in September while Keith Klinck takes over the reins as president.

Galye will join the coaching staff after having spent time in coaching in the Red Deer

and Lacombe minor hockey systems. Galye is known as a defensive-minded coach, Klinck said.

The team will enter the upcoming season in good financial position, due in part to the team's successful play-off last year in which it made it to the Heritage Junior Hockey League semifinal.

Boyle said the organization has enough funds currently in the bank to cover about half the costs of next season. He said good community support last season was one of the keys to giving the Colts a good outlook for 2015-16.

"The organization is in good hands. I think the group that has been running it up until

now has done a good job as far as keeping the books in order. I'm looking forward to being with the organization and hopefully we'll be able to do as good a job as the previous group did," Klinck said.

"I think on the ice the last few years they've built a winning tradition as well," he said.

## Miller finishes well despite tough competition

BY PAUL FREY  
MVP Staff

Jaedan Miller had a good result during the south central zone championship badminton championships held at Webber Academy in Calgary on May 2.

The lone Grade 9 student from Didsbury High School competed in the singles competition at the tournament. Miller played three match-

es in the preliminary round before advancing and losing in the quarter-final match in his pool against 15 other players in his pool.

Mark Leggette, one of the coaches of the DHS badminton team, said he was pleased with Miller's play, considering the type of competition he was up against.

"I think (the results) were OK. It was a very tough pool he was in, so he played well but came up against

very tough competitors. There are definitely some club players that would play most of the year. In fact, the two that played for the gold medal in his category ... (and) was probably one of the best (matches) of badminton I've seen all year," Leggette said.

Leggette said one of the issues that DHS and other schools face is that because basketball season is so lengthy and the badminton season

so compressed, although there are several good players at each level, they don't get the same playing and skill development time as some of the students from Calgary who get a much longer season to practise if they join a badminton club.

"We try and get it started reasonably early so they can get lots of play time in, but it's hard unless you're doing something year-round," he said.

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BY PAUL FREY  
MVP Staff

A record number of entries showed up at the 23rd edition of the Didsbury Show and Shine on May 9, helped by good weather and an ever-growing reputation as a good opportunity to show off classic vehicles.

Four hundred and sixty vehicles were registered for the show and shine this year, lining several streets throughout town.

There were so many, in fact, that some vehicles were simply parked in the middle of 20th Street because there weren't any parking spaces remaining in the downtown core. And Gil Enns, president of the Didsbury Car Club, said many more vehicles didn't bother to register. The DCC had inquiries from people north of Edmonton and from southern Alberta near the U.S. border wanting to attend the event.

"That's almost 100 more than we've ever had. The record has been 380. I'm sure there was close to 40 that didn't register. There was a lot at the burnout box and the drags that didn't come in here and register," he said.

In addition to the show and shine, the ever-popular 100-foot shootout took place on 19th Street, the burnout box was also set up downtown, and children were invited to show off their pedal cars this year. In addition, more than 85 motorcycles were also registered for the motorcycle show and shine, organized by the Rural Ride For Dad.

Enns said he was pleased with all of the downtown businesses that were open during the event and took advantage of the large crowds that were in the downtown core taking in all the events.

"We had talked to them all a few months ago about the show and shine madness, something like what we have in the winter-time, midnight madness. A lot of the business owners put specials on for that," he said.

Enns said the Didsbury Car Club will now regroup and will have a meeting to discuss the successes of the event and try to iron out details of some of the events that could be improved.

"I think what we have to do for next year is really concentrate on (getting) more space and more members," he said.



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From left, Didsbury Lions members Leo Dussault, Ray Hannah and Murray McRae cook hamburgers.

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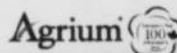
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Gorgeous executive style home, 1572 sq. ft., tile, hardwood, gas fireplace, vaulted ceiling, main floor laundry, quartz counter tops in gourmet kitchen, oversized double attached garage.

**\$449,900**

16 Rosebud Country Estates



Beautiful acreage just outside of Didsbury, 1.41 acres, 1458 sq. ft., fully finished, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, games room, media room, in floor heat, oversized double heated garage, ready to move in.

**\$549,900**

4.92 Acres in Bergen Area



1310 sq. ft., fully finished, many recent upgrades inside and out, 5 bedrooms, 2 baths, hot water heating throughout, covered wrap around deck, some outbuildings, some cross fencing.

**\$529,900**

107 Westridge Place



1585 sq ft bungalow, 3 + 2 bedrooms, 3 baths, gas fireplace, open plan, hardwood, 2 covered decks, huge back yard

**\$364,900**

2.62 Acres of Country Living



1292 sq. ft. home built in 1996, open floor plan, gas fireplace, oak kitchen with island, double attached garage, 40 X 80 quonset, on pavement.

**\$579,900**

Unit A, 1322 - 20 Street



Contemporary Condo floor plan, 1900 sq ft of developed living space, very open, 9' ceilings on main, 10' ceilings on lower level, centrally located.

**\$199,900**

2310 - 15 Avenue



1430 sq ft., pine cabinets, 2 pantries, 3 + 1 bedrooms, private park like yard close to schools, parks and the golf course

**\$257,900**

3.04 Acres just east of QEII



Nice location on pavement, slight rise in land for a great building site, mountain view, easy access to surrounding communities and Calgary.

**\$169,900**

80 Acres West of Elkton!



Gorgeous 80 acre parcel, mostly trees but some open areas, different building site options, or just use for recreational, only 4 miles west of Highway 22

**\$355,000**

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**The Porch Boyz**



2013 - 21 Avenue



1560 sq. ft. 2 story, some hardwood, has been set up for multiple tenants in the past so good rental potential, located near downtown.

**\$259,900**

1204 - 15 Avenue



2 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, fully developed basement, metal roof, single garage, huge lot (80' X 250').

**\$249,900**

71, 8210 - 65 Avenue, Olds



Beautiful mobile home on rented lot in the adult section of Silver Lynx Park, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, open plan, large wood facing deck, close to shopping area on west side of Olds.

**\$154,900**

3.16 Acres Near Didsbury



1180 sq ft home, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, 18' X 26' heated workshop, 40' X 60' quonset, on pavement, great little hobby farm set-up.

**\$489,000**

71 Southridge Crescent



Great home for first time buyers or revenue property, 3 + 1 bedrooms, 2 baths, large back yard with deck, fully fenced.

**\$229,900**

46 Stromsray Gate, Carstairs



Spacious floor plan in this 50+ condo unit, hardwood floors, coffered ceiling in living room, gas fireplace, amazing ensuite, covered rear deck with gas hookup, double garage, close to the golf course.

**\$439,900**

127 Southridge Crescent



3 + 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, huge double lot, double attached garage, large main floor family room.

**\$254,900**

12 Goddard Circle, Carstairs



Just under 1600 sq. ft., corner lot, open floor plan, 3 bedrooms, open den/office, triple garage.

**\$374,900**

52 Stromsray Gate, Carstairs



Fantastic 50+ home, over 2400 sq. ft. developed, quartz counter tops, large walk-in pantry, walkout on third level, gas fireplace, etc...

**\$439,900**

306 Valerosa Place



Beautiful 1850 sq ft 2 story on one of the largest lots in Valerosa, maple kitchen with island, walk-in pantry, gas fireplace, fantastic ensuite with heated floor, partially covered deck, huge fenced yard

**\$404,900**

1431 - 22 Avenue



1176 sq ft bungalow, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, main floor laundry, double detached garage

**\$239,900**

39 Didsbury Mobile Home Park



2 bedroom mobile on rented lot, lots of upgrades in recent years, hardwood, laminate, new maple kitchen, built-in oak desk/wall unit, rear deck, 2 storage sheds.

**\$39,900**

1708 - 16 Street



Fantastic property, upgraded home, 2 + 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, hardwood, tile, jetted tub, pellet stove, 4 tiered composite deck, huge lot (85' X 181'), oversized heated garage shop (24 X 48), beautifully landscaped.

**\$354,900**